

## Watauga Democrat.

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## Town and County

### NEWSPAPER LAW.

Below we give the United States Postal Laws relating to newspapers and subscribers:

1. Subscribers who do not give express notice to the contrary are considered as wishing to continue their subscription.

2. If subscribers order the discontinuance of their periodical the publisher may continue sending them until all arrearages are paid.

3. If subscribers neglect or refuse to take their periodicals from the office to which they are directed they are held responsible until they have settled their bill and ordered them discontinued.

4. If subscribers move to another place and fail to inform the publisher, and the papers are sent to the former direction, they are held responsible.

5. Any person who receives a newspaper and makes use of it, whether he ordered it or not, is held in law to be a subscriber.

6. If subscribers pay in advance they are bound to give notice to the publishers at the end of their time if they do not wish to continue taking it; otherwise the publisher is authorized to send it on and the subscriber is responsible until express notice with payment of all arrears is sent direct to the publisher.

The new postal amendment has made it a penal offense to refuse to pay for a newspaper and the subscriber may be imprisoned for fraud.

Farmer busy.

Weather delightful.

Sun rises 5:21 a. m., sets 6:38 p. m.

See change in Holclaw's advertisement.

Mr. John Culler is at work on his new dwelling.

Will Blowing Rock elect a Mayor and commissioners?

Butter not strong enough to walk to Boone yet.

See ad. of Marlin Fire Arms Co. and get a good gun for a little money.

A beautiful crop of fruit of all kinds this season unless it is killed yet.

What would a railroad through Watauga be worth? Who can estimate it?

The only indication we saw of Easter was a few colored egg-shells on the streets.

Preaching at Three Forks last Sunday, preaching at Boone—well really, we don't recollect when.

Our approaching town election does not seem to create much of a stir, no money is being used at all.

Misses Mamie and Bessie Morris, of Blowing Rock, spent several days in town last week with Misses Coffey.

We passed through Easter without the predicted storm. When does our weather prophets say it will come now?

See new advertisement of J. P. Henson, of Dark Ridge, he has his goods marked down to suit the times and will not be undersold.

E. B. Miller has recently been appointed Notary Public for Watauga by Gov. Fowle, he requests us to say that he is ready for business.

The nuisance on our streets is the profane and vulgar language used by those who should know better. Let's have law and put a stop to it.

See advertisement of the Elkin Woolen Mills in another column. This is a well established and very reliable

factory, and their agent, Mr. Jont. Brown, is one of our very best citizens, give him a call.

Mrs. Cleveland has abjured the bang as well as the bustle, and brushes her hair straight up from the forehead.

Died on Old-field Creek in Ashe County, March 23rd Mrs. Julia Hardin, wife of Thomas Hardin, of consumption. She leaves a husband and one child, who have the sympathy of other many friends in their sore bereavement.

We are informed by Mr. Herbert Brown, agent for the Eureka Mattress Co., of Lenoir, that within the last two weeks he has taken over 100 orders for mattresses, springs & etc. He undoubtedly sells the best as well as the cheapest spring on the market. See ad in another column.

Married at Boomer. Wilkes Co. N. C., last Thursday evening, Mr. Lafayette Critcher to Miss Lillie Howell, Esq. Hubbard officiating. A reception was given Friday evening at Mr. William Critcher's, the father of the groom. We wish the young couple much happiness.

Died April 1st 1889 on New River, in Ashe Co. Mr. David Howell, father-in-law of Mr. Frank Hardin, in his 85th year. He leaves six children and many friends to mourn their loss. He was a member of the Baptist church a loving father, a kind husband and a good citizen.

Mr. Wm. Critcher is building a mill on Howards Creek, which he claims will be the finest in the Co. It will be completed soon, and we hope may prove to be truly a first-class mill; for we know of nothing worse needed in Watauga, unless it is a railroad.

Test the truth of the claims for this mill by giving it a trial.

Now it comes to pass that some one doubts that hog tale in last issue—think it was about 60 too many—according to the average increase of hogs in this country. Some of you fellows who have your coffins already paid for and spot-picked out to be buried on can intimate to Joe Bryan that his sow had but THREE pigs—but as for our part, we are not prepared to go just yet.

In giving a report of the proceedings of the county commissioners in last issue, we stated that a claim presented by T. J. Coffey & Bro. was not allowed. Lest some one who is not acquainted with that firm, should think they had presented a claim that was unjust we make the following explanation:

This claim was for repairing the jail, which the Sheriff, rather than the commissioners, authorized them to have done, for which work the Sheriff assumes payment, hence the refusal on part of the Board.

There were two alliances formed in Watauga during court week.

The Daniel Boone Alliance with the following officers: Pres. J. E. Finley; Vice President D. F. Baird; Secretary J. M. Shull; Treasury A. J. Moretz; Chap. I. W. Thomas; Lecturer Wm. Van Canon, As. Lec. W. S. Davis; Door Keeper E. B. Miller. I. V. GLADES. Pres. Jordan Cook; Vice

Pres. G. H. Blair; Sec. J. E. Curley; Treas. J. C. Bowles; Chap. C. J. Cottrell; Lecturer J. W. Harrison; As. Lec. G. W. Vandyke; Door Keeper J. M. Elrod; As. Door Keeper A. L. Harrison.

The Daniel Boone Alliance met in Boone last Saturday.

Lately there has been a great deal said in the papers about bustles, and should they be worn or not. From away down our throats we yell with might and main for the perpetuation of that appendage. Deprive the camel of his hump, deprive the dude of his green goggles and few scattering grains of sense he may have, deprive the preacher of his long - a l c a t, but let the bustle remain please.

Last Friday we took a short trip over on Cove Creek. The vegetation over on that side is luxuriant, the wheat is looking as well as we ever saw it for this time of year, and the people look happy and contented. That is truly a wonderfully fertile country, perhaps, the most fertile in our whole State, and that's saying a great deal, for our entire soil is good. The fruit trees up and down the creek resemble one vast flower garden, which impresses one so forcibly as the veriest handiwork of God. The further we go up the creek the more sign of enterprise in the way of building we see, until at last we reach the mammoth new two story building of Shell & Mast, here we stop; who could pass this building without first taking a good look at it? This is to be the store house of the firm, and right here let us say that this house speaks well for the talent of the courteous and clever gentlemen who are constructing it. The house, as well as we could judge, is about 80x100. Mr. Shell, one of the polite and pleasant proprietors, showed us over the building and otherwise administered to our pleasure and comfort, (while Newt had gone off to "pack a log" vowing it was too hot to live and offering almost any price for some one to do it for him.)

We have scarcely ever seen a nicer assortment or more complete line of goods than this firm has in stock. They moved into the new building the first of this week where they can accommodate five hundred people with ease and at the same time sell you the cheapest goods you ever bought. See their big advertisement in next issue.

Another Good Man Gone.

Died on Friday, April 19th, Mr. T. L. Hine, in his 66th year, at his residence near Boone. Truly a good, pure soul has been called to its Maker. Mr. Hine had been a great sufferer off and on for a number of years, but bore his pain with christian fortitude, seldom giving away to it and never complaining. This true christian gentleman was a model of piety, self-sacrifice, honor, virtue and energy. And while the latter part of his life was fraught with the most agonizing bodily suffering, which has such a tendency to make us cross and fretful, still this pure man was as meek and kind as a child. He was a loving husband and an almost idolized parent. He leaves a wife and six children, four of whom are grown, and to these, the DEMOCRAT, with a host of other friends, extends deepest and most heartfelt sympathy and would point them for comfort to "Him who giveth and taketh away."

The closing exercises of New River Academy last Friday night were very entertaining. The students all performed their parts well. We have not space to give a detailed account of the exercises, but must make mention of the recitation and song of little Mollie Cottrell and the part Frank Critcher took in the donation party. These children, we think, are entitled to special praise. The music furnished by a band of the students was good indeed.

This band consisted of six pences: Two violins played by Mr. Monroe Jones and Lizzie Horton; two harps played by Miss Emma Jones and Walter Horton.

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